

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-2 and 7-8. The status of all pending claims is as follows:

1-2. (Cancelled)

3. (Original) An information recording medium comprising an information recording film made of an exchange-coupled multilayer film capable of magnetically reproducing a recorded information, wherein the exchange-coupled multilayer film has a coercive force which is not substantially changed at a temperature ranging from room temperature to approximately 65°C, the product of 55 Gauss  $\mu\text{m}$  or more of a remnant magnetic flux density and a film thickness, and includes at least a transition metal-rich rare earth-transition metal amorphous alloy layer and a rare earth-rich rare earth-transition metal amorphous layer.

4. (Original) An information recording medium according to claim 3, wherein the exchange-coupled multilayer film is formed on a base on which regular depressions and projections having Ra of 0.1 to 1.5 nm, a period of 10 to 40 nm or both of them have been formed.

5. (Original) An information recording medium according to claim 3, wherein rare earth-transition metal amorphous alloy is TbFe, TbFeCr, TbFeCo, DyFeCo, GdCo, GdFe, TbCo, GdTbFe, GdTbFeCo or GdDyFeCo.

6. (Original) An information recording medium according to claim 3, wherein the transition metal-rich rare earth-transition metal amorphous alloy layer and the rare earth-rich rare earth-transition metal amorphous layer contain at least Tb or Dy.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Original) A slider for recording and reproducing information used for recording or reproducing on or from an information recording medium according to claim 3, the slider comprising a light irradiating means, a recording head and a magnetic reproducing head that are integrated, the light irradiating means being located ahead of the recording head and the magnetic reproducing head in the direction of information recording and reproducing.